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## Selectmen's Minutes 08/01/2005

### TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 1, 2005

7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Hurd, Chair, Mr. Greeley, Mrs. Dias, and Ms. LaCourt.

Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Maher, and Mrs. Sullivan.

Absent: Mrs. Mahon

#### 1. Introduction of 2 New Police Officers

Chris Gallagher & Vitaly Volkov

Fred Ryan, Police Chief

Chief Ryan introduced Arlington's two new Police Officers. The Selectmen congratulated and welcomed them both to the Town.

#### 2. Discussion: September Ovarian Cancer Month

Barbara O'Brien

Ms. O'Brien talked about "teal across America" for ovarian cancer beginning with a "walk for the whisper" at Castle Island on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Dias moved to accept Ms. O'Brien's report and pledged help. SO VOTED (4-0)

### APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

#### 3. Appointment: Information Technology Advisory Committee

David Good

(term to expire 7/08)

Ms. LaCourt moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

### LICENSES & PERMITS

#### 4. Request: Hanging of Banners

Maryellen Loud, Library Director

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

#### 5. CITIZENS OPEN FORUM

These matters were presented for consideration of the Board.

Jennifer Morrissey, from Creative Expressions Salon, reported that the municipal lot parking is problematic for working people and customers. The length of time is not long enough to cover a whole appointment or for doing several

errands/lunch in Town. The Selectmen agreed to have the parking sub-committee research options.

Svetlana Sharapova, from A Skin Care Salon, reported problems at the municipal lot with the ticket machines, length of parking time, and drop off and pick up of heavy salon items. Mr. Hurd agreed to look into the specific tickets issued. Ms. LaCourt stated that there needs to be clear communication and a clear process for municipal parking. Mr. Hurd agreed to research and report back to the Board.

### **TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS**

6. Discussion: Speed and Safety/Pleasant St. @ Rt. 2 Intersection

Victor Carpenter, et al

Mrs. Dias moved to refer to Mr. Sullivan to research. SO VOTED (4-0)

7. Request: Residential Handicap Parking

Gene Nocca, 19 Belknap St.

Ms. LaCourt moved to refer to Mr. Sullivan to research. SO VOTED (4-0)

8. Request: 2 3-Way Stop Signs. Wright/Huntington/Berkeley Streets

Andrea Canty

Mr. Greeley moved to refer to T.A.C. SO VOTED (4-0)

9. Request: No Parking Sign @ 385 Mass. Ave.

Anita R. Morrison

Mr. Greeley moved to refer to Mr. Sullivan to research the two options (take away the two parking spaces or move the bus stop) especially moving the bus stop. SO VOTED (4-0)

10. Discussion: Linwood St. Parking

Ms. LaCourt moved approval of Officer McHugh's recommendation.

SO VOTED (4-0)

11. Discussion: Junk Car By-Law

Richard Duffy

Mr. Duffy requested the Board to enforce the junk car by-law.

Mr. Maher recommended citizens call the Police with information; they'll investigate and enforce the by-law.

Mr. Greeley moved approval to enforce the by-law. SO VOTED (4-0)

12. Request: Payment of Bills

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

13. Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule

The Board agreed upon the following dates:

October 17th

October 24<sup>th</sup>

November 7<sup>th</sup>

November 21<sup>st</sup>

December 5th

December 19th

Mr. Greeley moved approval. SO VOTED (4-0)

14. Adoption of Town Manager Goals for FY '06

The Board agreed to vote on the goals when all Selectmen are present.  
a future meeting.

Mr. Hurd tabled this agenda item until

**Correspondence Received**

Bettie Connors Letter of thanks Be Rec'd  
Co-chair,  
Div. Task Group

David White Letter of thanks Be Rec'd  
FoAGM Steering  
Committee

Bill Zamparelli NStar status report Be Rec'd  
NStar

Barbara Miller Petition regarding Symmes Hospital Redevelopment Be Rec'd  
137 Brattle St  
Lee Ellis  
137 Brattle St.

Peter Fuller Crosswalks Be Rec'd  
7 Kilsythe Rd.

Mr. Greeley moved receipt of correspondence. SO VOTED (4-0)

Ms. LaCourt moved to refer the crosswalk issues to T.A.C. SO VOTED (4-0)

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Maher reported that Comcast negotiations were in progress and that he'll keep in touch with the Selectmen regarding progress. Mr. Maher also reported that he and Mr. Sullivan have met with the industrial parties regarding the A.H.S. playing fields behind the school. A future press release will be forthcoming.

Mr. Sullivan announced that Congressman Markey secured \$1.6 million for completion of the Mass. Ave. corridor.

Mrs. Dias discussed setting up a special trust fund regarding healthcare perhaps enacting a home rule petition. She suggested a letter be sent by Mr. Maher and Mr. Sullivan to our legislatures and also notify Mr. Greco with updated information. Mrs. Dias requested the following information from Mr. Sullivan: 1) Information on who takes what plan? The three-tier plan?  
2) The number of retirees who do take health- what plan and how it is weighted?

Ms. LaCourt reminded the Selectmen that the Board needs a goal setting plan and that the 5-year plan on expenses needs to have another year added.

Mr. Hurd wants to have as a future agenda item a discussion and report on Cemetery needs and projects.  
Mr. Hurd wants the Board to decide on goals and set a meeting date of Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM.

Mr. Greeley moved to adjourn at 9:00PM. SO VOTED (4-0)

Mr. Maher moved to go into executive session to consider the purchase, exchange, taking, lease, or value of real property if such discussion may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the governmental body in selling that particular land.

Mrs. Sullivan initiated the roll call at 9:00 PM.

**Executive Session**

A True Record: Attest:

Mary Ann Sullivan